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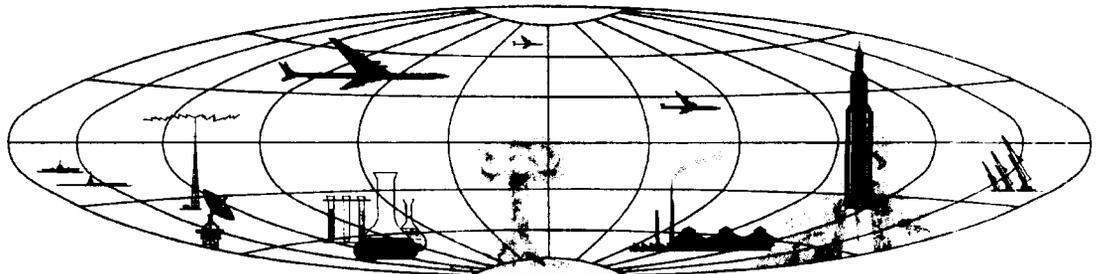
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This report presents information, in chart form, on the construction timing of deployed Soviet ICBM launch complexes as determined from a study of both TALENT and KEYHOLE photography (Figure 1). The date of the earliest photography used is August 1959, and the date of the latest photography used is April 1962 [redacted]. The information pertains only to the complex and not to the individual launch areas. Data on the Tyura Tam Missile Test Center are included for convenience of comparison with the deployed complexes.



REFERENCES

PHOTOGRAPHY

<u>Mission</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Classification</u>
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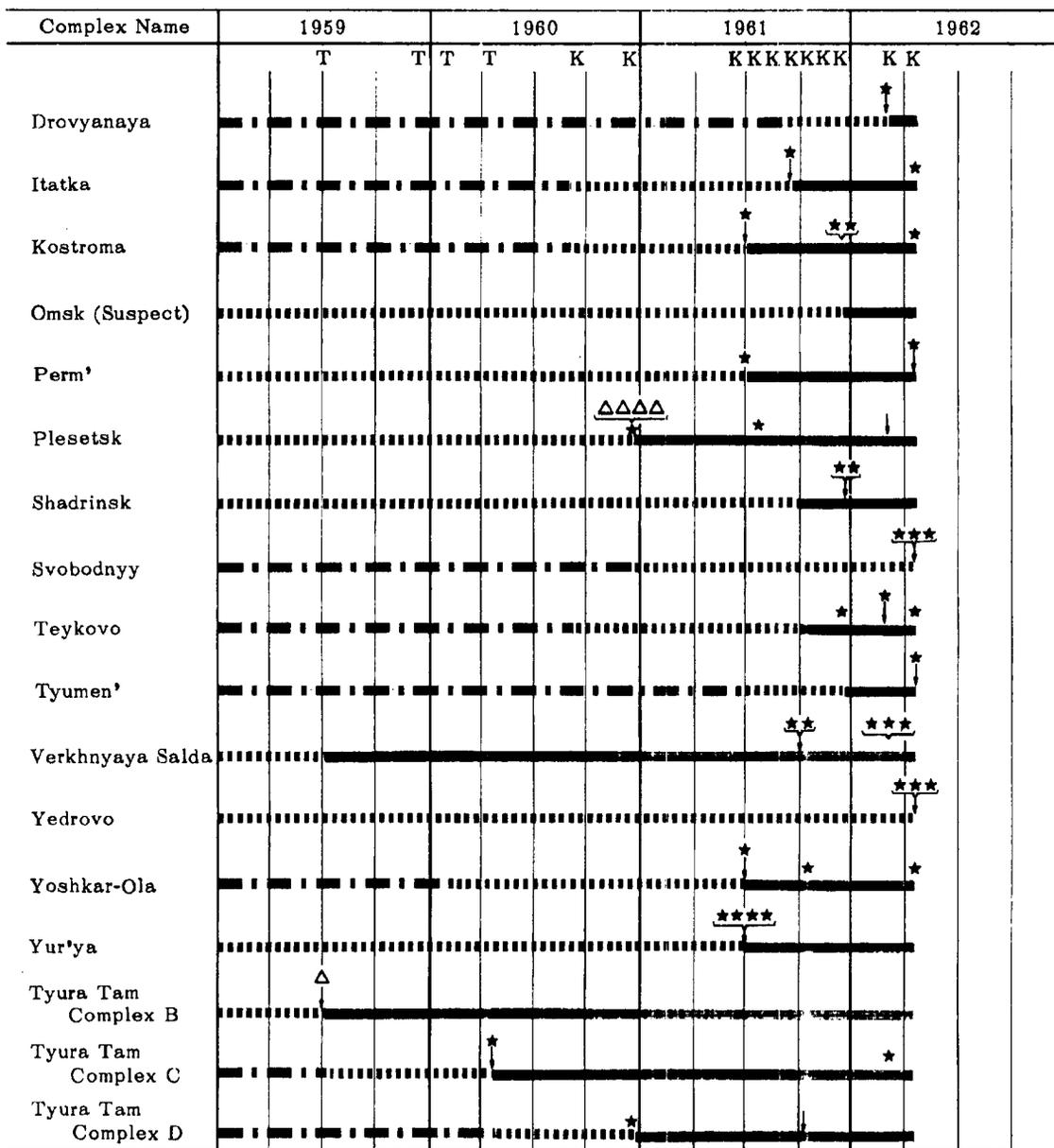
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- T Successful TALENT Mission
- K Successful KEYHOLE Mission
- Time span prior to start of construction, where photography permits negation
- Time span during which construction apparently started (no usable photographic coverage available)
- ===== Time span during which construction or deployment activity known to be in progress from photography
- ↓ Date when NPIC identified complex as ICBM launch
- * Date when road-served ICBM launch area first appears on available photography
- Δ Date when rail-served ICBM launch point first appears on available photography

FIGURE 1. CONSTRUCTION TIMING OF SOVIET ICBM LAUNCH COMPLEXES AS DETERMINED FROM PHOTOGRAPHY.